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Date of Incident: 03-24-2016 Case # 16-11515 and 16-11580

At approximately 11:08 p.m. on Thursday Bristol Police Officers effected an arrest of Michael F. Lowery, 34, of 1299 Stafford Ave. in Bristol. Lowery was charged with Criminal Attempt at Assault on a Police Officer, Criminal Attempt at Assault Second Degree, Reckless Driving and Disobeying Order of a Police Officer.

The arrest stemmed from an incident earlier, 10:45 a.m., when a Bristol Officer responded to the area of 26 Birchwood Drive to investigate a complaint of a suspicious person/vehicle. The officer observed the suspect vehicle, a 2014 Hyundai bearing New York marker plates, and made contact with the operator (Lowery). The officer observed Lowery place his hand on the console shifter, engage the vehicle in drive and then turn the steering wheel to the left while rapidly accelerating. The officer was forced to jump out of the way to avoid being seriously injured by the fleeing vehicle.

The vehicle was last seen traveling into Farmington at a high rate of speed however it was not located. The officer applied for an arrest warrant on Thursday which was approved by the Superior Court in Bristol with a bond set at \$50,000.

Later in the evening Lowery was observed operating the vehicle in the area of 1299 Stafford Ave. Officers attempted to stop Lowery however he was able to elude them by once again driving the vehicle at a high rate of speed and in a reckless manner. Lowery subsequently parked the vehicle and then attempted to escape on foot however he was spotted walking on Farmington Ave. in the vicinity of Collins Road. Officers then took Lowery into custody without a struggle.

Lowery was additionally charged with numerous motor vehicle charges that included Reckless Driving and Engaging Police in Pursuit. Those charges were separate from the warrant arrest and a bond was set at \$15,000 for those charges. No officers sustained any injuries during the two arrests.

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